

Greenbrier Independent.

THURSDAY, MAY 22ND, 1890.

LOCAL MATTERS.

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Mr. Grant has leased his
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J. L. Wright has returned home
Virginia, where he went with a
load of horses.

E. P. Rucker, of Mercer county,
ending the summer with her father-
in-law, Dr. Wm. P. Rucker, near this

A. Preston, Esq., is on a business
trip to Nicholas county.

Nellie Smith, of Charleston, ar-
rived in Lewisburg last Friday as the
guest of Mrs. Geo. T. Argabrite.

Lizzie Travis, of Cincinnati, is
with her sisters, Mrs. D. R. Thomas,
at this place, and Mrs. Stuart Knapp,
at Lewisburg.

Today Judge A. C. Snyder and
A. F. Mathews returned from
a business trip to North Carolina.

L. S. Rucker and family, who
have been visiting relatives here and
in Virginia, returned to their home at
Lewisville, Pocahontas county, last

B. Mason is with his family
at this place on his railroad work.

Thomas Gilmore, of Millboro,
arrived in Lewisburg this morn-
ing. Guy Cochran, of Staunton,
arrived here this morning, and is
the guest of Mr. J. E. Bell.

Lockridge, Esq., of Pocahon-
tas county, is in our city to-day.

Harmon Snyder, of Randolph
county, is the guest of his half-brother,
C. Snyder, of our town.

Frank Spickard, of Blacksburg,
arrived here this morning, and is
visiting his uncle, A. J. Wilson,
at Lewisburg.

O. Kelly has returned home
after a business trip of several weeks
to Giles and Braxton counties.

C. N. Austin and Miss Ad-
elaine, of this place, and Mrs.
F. Raymond, of Frankford,
after a severe illness we mentioned
are now convalescent. Mr.
Raymond's condition is unchanged.

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Marlin's Bottom Turnpike, about 2 miles north of the town of Frankford, in Falling Spring district. These lands are convenient to school-house, and each tract is furnished with a good dwelling and out-buildings.

TERMS OF SALE:
Cash on day of sale sufficient to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale, and the balance in two equal instalments, payable in 6 and 12 months, respectively, from day of sale, with interest from day of sale, the purchaser executing his bonds therefor, with good security.

L. J. WILLIAMS,
Special Commissioner.

Bond given and approved as required by law.

JONATHAN MAYS,
May 15-4w. Clerk.

Commissioner's Sale of Land.

PURSUANT to a decree of the Circuit Court of Greenbrier county, rendered at its April term, 1890, in the case of Alex. F. Mathews, plaintiff, against W. S. Rader et als., defendants, I will sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, in front of the hotel of James H. Stratton, in the town of Lewisburg on

Saturday, the 21st day of June, 1890, the following lands, viz:

1, A tract of 44 acres, in Williamsburg district, in said county, near Williamsburg, being that part of the S. Williams land laid off and assigned by said decree to said W. S. Rader. This is first-class land and will make an excellent small farm.

2, A tract of 88 acres, the residue of what is known as the "Tuckwilt Tract," also situated in said county in said district.

TERMS OF SALE.
Cash in hand sufficient to pay costs of suit and expenses of sale, and to the balance a credit of 6, 12 and 18 months will be given, the purchaser to execute for said deferred payments bonds with approved personal security, bearing interest from date.

N. B.—By the terms of said decree the undersigned is also authorized, before offering them publicly, to sell said lands privately, upon such terms as may be agreed upon.

ALEX. F. MATHEWS,
Special Commissioner.

I certify that the above named Commissioner has given bond as required by law.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 18TH, 1890.

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NEXT Sunday will be the shortest day of the year.

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A SPECIAL term of Monroe Circuit court has been called to

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English judgment of Circuit Court reversed and case remanded. A motion for a rehearing was docketed in *Fleshman's Administrator vs. Fleshman*.

Bad Mail Service.

What on the earth is the matter with the mails between Lewisburg and Huntersville? About two weeks ago we wrote a letter to a gentleman at Huntersville on an important matter of business. A few days since we received an answer saying that our letter had been delayed a week on the way. Somebody is at fault, and such carelessness or inattention to the public business should be investigated. There is, too, an abominable schedule on this route resulting in great delay in the delivery of mail matter intended for points beyond Marlinton. We understand that a petition will be sent on asking for a change, and we hope it may be made, as there is much complaint of the present arrangement.

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